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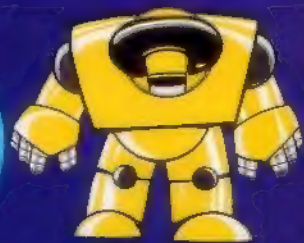
**WONDER
BOY'S
LAST STAND!**

PLUS!

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Your online guide to the sensational world of Sega and Sonic The Comic. Hosted by Megadroid.

Welcome Screen

Hey Boomers!

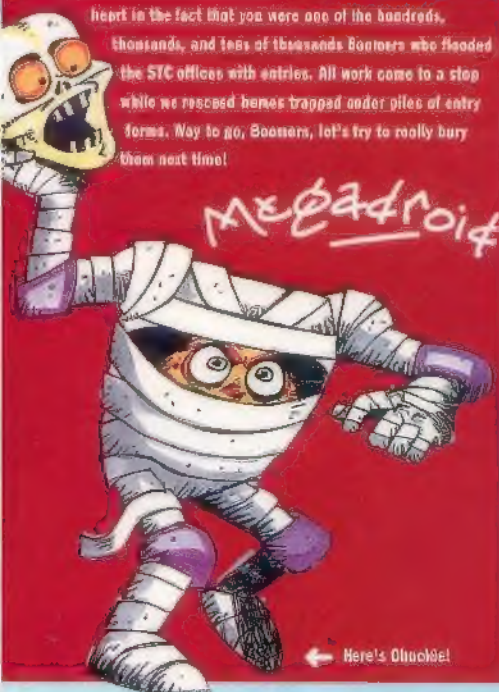
The horror! The ugliness! The brutality! The lousy jokes! Head for the hills, Chuck D. Head - that seriously strange star of the wonderfully weird Mega Drive game *Decar Attack* - is coming to STC, next issue! Boomers of a nervous disposition - or those with any sense of good taste - are advised to close their eyes for the next six issues. The rest of you, get those orders for STC in now! True weirdness starts in two weeks!

The start of another new STC series sadly means we have reached the end of an older one. This time it's so long, farrowell, and blunka for all the demons in Wamwa Bar. However, Seion's departure is not a permanent one. There are many more worlds for him to explore, and already the script and art teams are hard at work chronicling his next trip to - Ghost World! What lies there? Not what you'd expect. That's all I can say for now.

Meanwhile, those of you who've been chewing your nails (how can you boomers chew on parts of your anatomy?) waiting for the results of STC's Grand Opening Cengo - not to mention our first freshie on STC 3 - the agony is over. The results of both these items appear in this issue. If you haven't won anything, *habe*

heart in the fact that you were one of the hundreds, thousands, and tens of thousands Boomers who flooded the STC offices with entries. All work came to a stop while we rescued bemoes trapped under piles of entry forms. Way to go, Boomers, let's try to really bury them next time!

Megadroid



← Here's Olunoid!

Holiday Hedgehogs

Schools in the Bournemouth/Poole area had hedgehogs on the brain earlier this summer. They were taking part in a special competition to coincide with the opening of the new Sega World games centre in Bournemouth (see News Zone this issue).

Armed with data from the British Hedgehog Preservation Society, enthusiastic pupils drew pictures and comic strips based on the theme of 'Hedgehogs on Holiday'.

There were two categories in the competition: a poster competition for the under 8's, and a comic strip competition for the

under 12's. Prizes up for grabs included Sonic baseball jackets, Sega blitz, hedges, posters and free tickets to the VIP launch party of Sega World.

Chris 'Big Breakfast' Evans was at Sega World on Saturday 31st July to present the prizes. Winners Robbie Blight of Courthill First School, Poole, for the under 8s, and Louise Smith-Obblin of Kingsleigh Junior School, Bournemouth, for the under 12s, each won Sonic baseball jackets, plus £150 for their schools.



Hedgehog on its holidays: winning pic from Robbie Blight

Sega Shows Off

Check your diaries, Boomers. The place to be this November is Olympia in London, and the event to be at is the second FUTURE ENTERTAINMENT SHOW.

If you have any interest at all in video and computer games, this is the show that will have you drooling on the carpet. The big games and big names will all be on display between 11th and 14th November.

Our pals at Sega, not unexpectedly, will be there in force. They're not saying much about their plans at the moment, but one thing's for sure, you'll have a chance to try out the newest, bestest games on the Sega systems - and maybe a few you don't even know about yet!

Other FES attractions will include the grand final of the National Computer Games Championships (£10,000 for the winner!), Channel 4's GamesMaster show, broadcasting live from the FES on the opening day and Radio One FM's Roadshow, broadcasting live from Olympia every day.

This year's FUTURE ENTERTAINMENT SHOW will be an all-ticket event, so you will have to book in advance. People booking for the Friday, will each receive a special preview ticket to the new Disney animation blockbuster Aladdin.

So make a date for 11th - 14th November, Boomers, and keep watching STC for more details of the FES.

The Sega Charts

All the chart action for all the Sega systems - in every issue of STC.

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MEGA DRIVE

- 1 — JUNGLE STRIKE
- 2 — MICRO MACHINES
- 3 — **NEW** BUBSY THE BOBCAT
- 4 — **DOWN** COOL SPOT
- 5 — PGA TOUR GOLF2
- 6 — **UP** FLASHBACK
- 7 — **RE** MOONWALKER
- 8 — **DOWN** ECCO THE DOLPHIN
- 9 — **DOWN** SUPER KICK OFF
- 10 — **DOWN** SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2

MEGA CD

- 1 — NIGHT TRAP
- 2 — FINAL FIGHT
- 3 — **UP** JAGUAR XJ220
- 4 — SHERLOCK HOLMES
- 5 — ROAD AVENGER
- 6 — **UP** AFTERBURNER 3
- 7 — **DOWN** ROAD ALESTE
- 8 — TIME GAL
- 9 — PRINCE OF PERSIA
- 10 — **DOWN** BLACK HOLE ASSAULT

MASTER SYSTEM

- 1 — SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 2 — **RE** ASTERIX
- 3 — G-LOC
- 4 — **DOWN** MICKEY MOUSE 2
- 5 — **UP** LEMMINGS
- 6 — **RE** THE NINJA
- 7 — **RE** TOM & JERRY
- 8 — **RE** CHAMPIONS OF EUROPE
- 9 — **RE** OLYMPIC GOLD
- 10 — **DOWN** DOUBLE DRAGON

GAME GEAR

- 1 — SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 2 — MICKEY MOUSE 2
- 3 — LEMMINGS
- 4 — MICK & MACK: GLOBAL GLADIATORS
- 5 — **UP** TAZ - MANIA
- 6 — **DOWN** STREETS OF RAGE
- 7 — **RE** SUPER MONACO GRAND PRIX
- 8 — **RE** TOM & JERRY
- 9 — **UP** BATMAN RETURNS
- 10 — **DOWN** TERMINATOR

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Sonic

THE HEDGEHOG

THE EMERALD HILL ZONE
- PLANET MOBIUS.

BACK TO REALITY

ZKKNOWW!

OKAY
SONIC, THIS IS
WHERE YOU GET
OFF!

HURRY
IT UP GUYS! I'VE GOT
TO GET BACK TO THE
SPECIAL ZONE BEFORE
ROBOTNIK REALISES
WHAT I'M UP TO!

I DON'T GET
IT, PAL. YOU SAID THAT
ROBOTNIK HAD TAKEN
CONTROL OF EVERYTHING
IN THE SPECIAL ZONE,
INCLUDING YOU...

SO HOW
COME YOU WERE
ABLE TO DISOBEY
HIM AND LET
US GO?

*SEE LAST ISSUE'S GREAT
SONIC STORY - MEGADROID.

WELL,
ROBOTNIK'S ORDERS
WERE A LITTLE SLOPPY AND
NOT VERY SPECIFIC. HE SORT
OF TOLD ME TO GET RID
OF YOU...

AND, ER...
TO BE HONEST,
I DIDN'T ACTUALLY
DISOBEY HIM...



HUH?
WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

LOOK, I
REALLY GOTTA
GO...

UH,
S...SONIC, I
THINK THERE'S
SOMETHING YOU
OUGHT TO
SEE...

BADNIKS!

THIS AREA IS
OFF LIMITS. THE PENALTY
FOR TRANSGRESSION
IS DEATH!

THE PENALTY
FOR EVERYTHING IS
DEATH, AS A MATTER
OF FACT.

YAAAA!

BBOOM!

BBOOM!

TAKE
COVER
EVERYONE.
I'LL HANDLE
THIS!

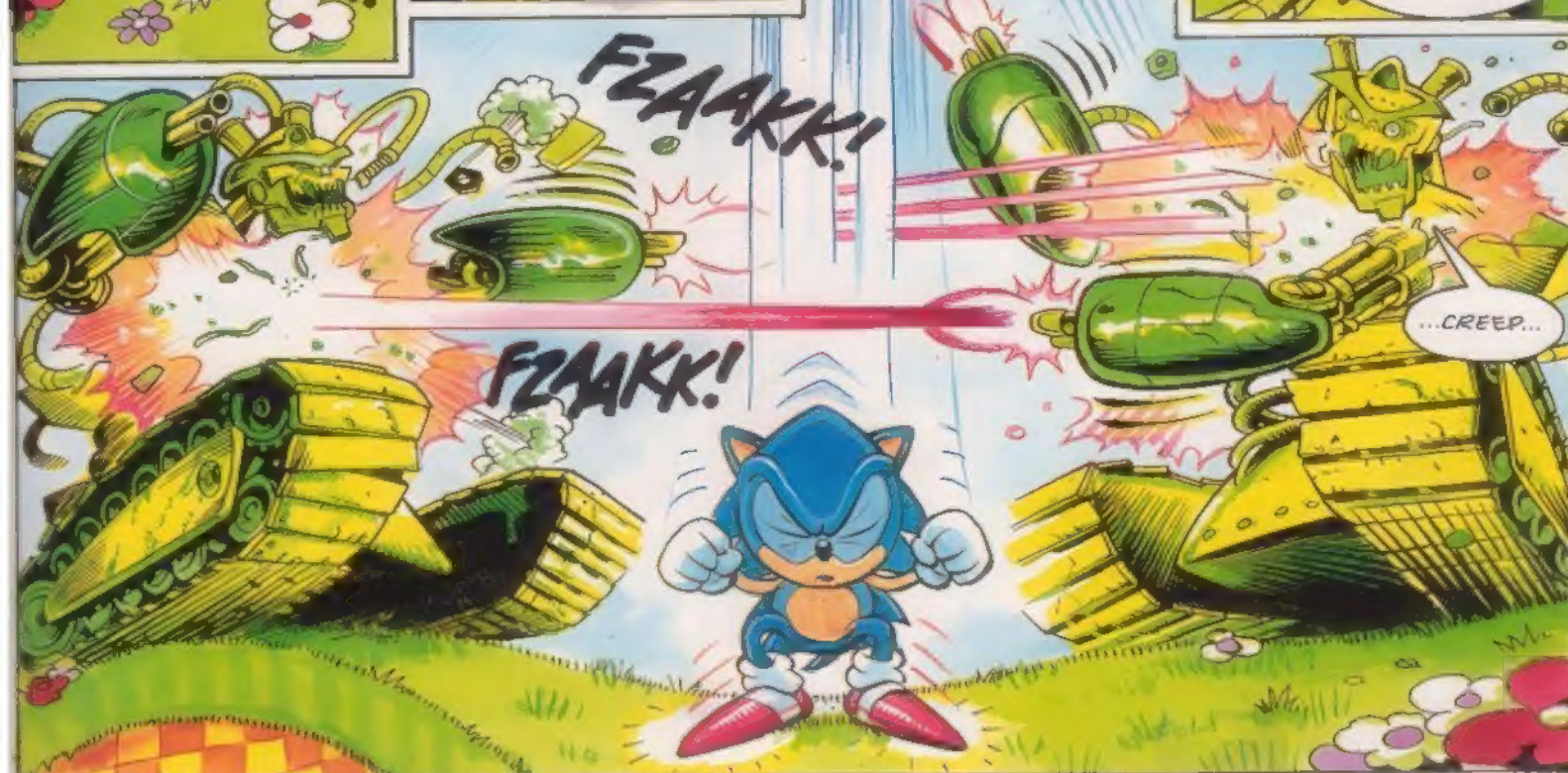
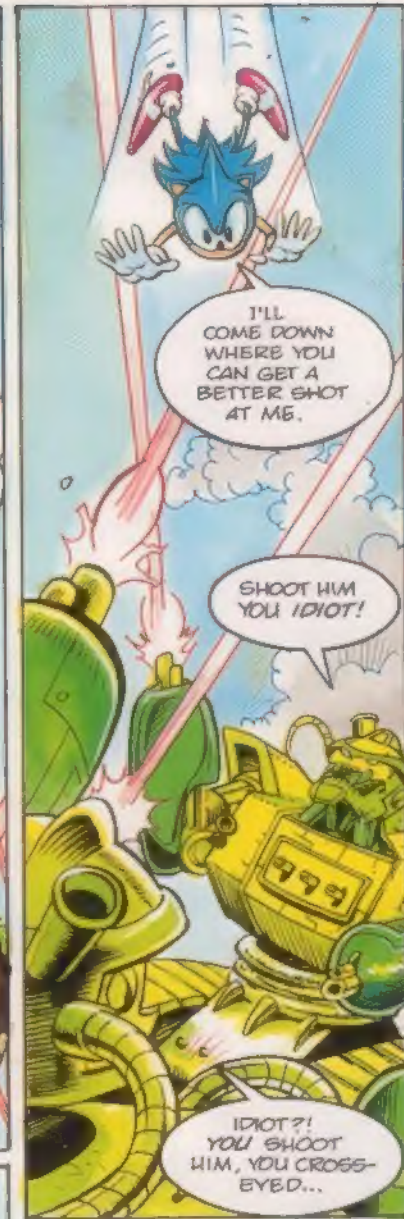
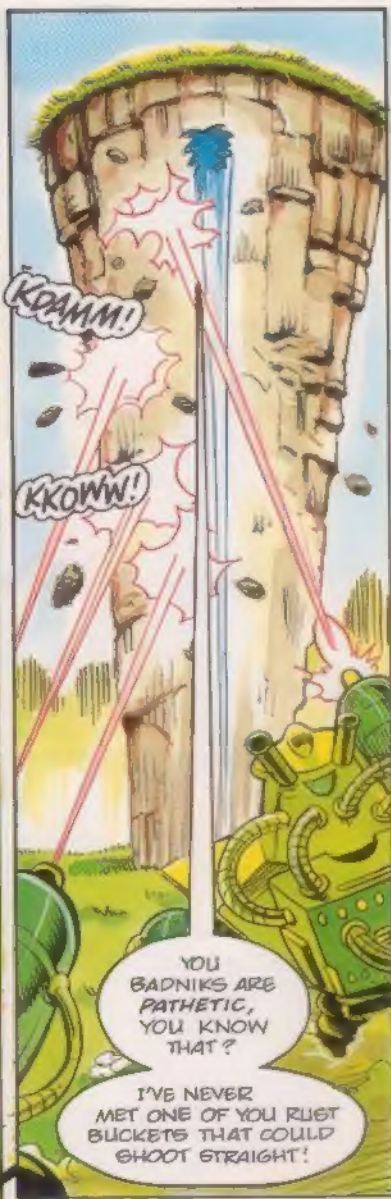
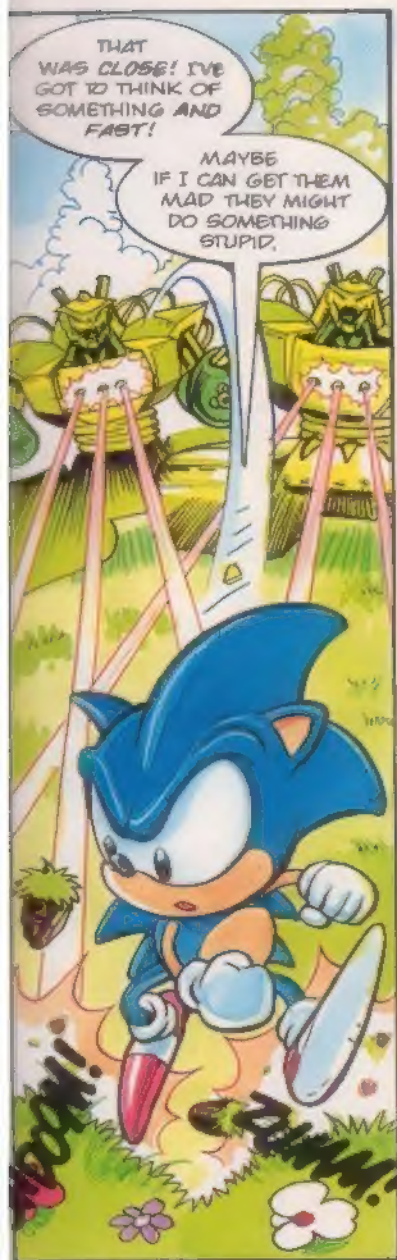
S...GOOD
IDEA,
SONIC!

I'VE NEVER
SEEN BADNIKS
LIKE THOSE
BEFORE!

**SUPER
SPIN
ATTACK!**

KRAUMP!

HEY! THESE
BADNIKS ARE
TOUGH!





YOU GUYS CAN COME ON OUT, YOU'RE FREE, YOU OKAY?

J-JUST A LITTLE SHAKEN.

SONIC! IS THAT YOU?



'COURSE IT'S ME, HOW MANY COOL BLUE HEDGEHOGS DO YOU KNOW?

BUT SONIC, WHEN YOU VANISHED SIX MONTHS AGO, WE ALL THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!



'VANISHED!' WHAT ARE YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT? IF THIS IS SOME KIND OF JOKE...

HANG ON, SONIC. I THINK I KNOW WHAT MUST HAVE HAPPENED. REMEMBER, THE OMNI-VIEWER SAID THAT ROBOTNIK HAD ORDERED HIM TO GET RID OF YOU.



HE WANTED YOU SENT INTO THE FUTURE WHERE YOU COULDN'T INTERFERE WITH HIS PLANS.

WELL, HE TRICKED ROBOTNIK BY ONLY MOVING YOU SIX MONTHS INTO THE FUTURE. THAT WAY HE OBEYED ROBOTNIK'S BUT MADE SURE YOU WOULD BE BACK TO PUT THINGS RIGHT.



RIGHT! WE'LL START BY CHECKING OUT THE SCENE AT THE VILLAGE!

BE CAREFUL SONIC, THINGS HAVE CHANGED WHILE YOU'VE BEEN AWAY!

BUDDY, IF YOU KNEW ME BETTER YOU'D KNOW THAT I WAS NEVER CAREFUL!

IN THE VILLAGE.

YOU! MY DATABASE INFORMS ME YOU SHOULD HAVE REPORTED TO THE CHEMICAL PLANT WORK DETAIL YESTERDAY!

I'M SORRY, BUT IT'S MY WIFE, YOU SEE... SHE'S BEEN ILL...

THE PENALTY FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE WORK ENTERPRISE SCHEME IS DEATH!

THE PENALTY FOR DOING ANYTHING AROUND HERE IS DEATH.

DR ROBOTNIK IS HARSH BUT FAIR.

WELL OKAY, MAYBE THEY'RE NOT FAIR BUT WE LIKE THEM!

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, THESE NEW BADNIKS REALLY ARE TOUGH!

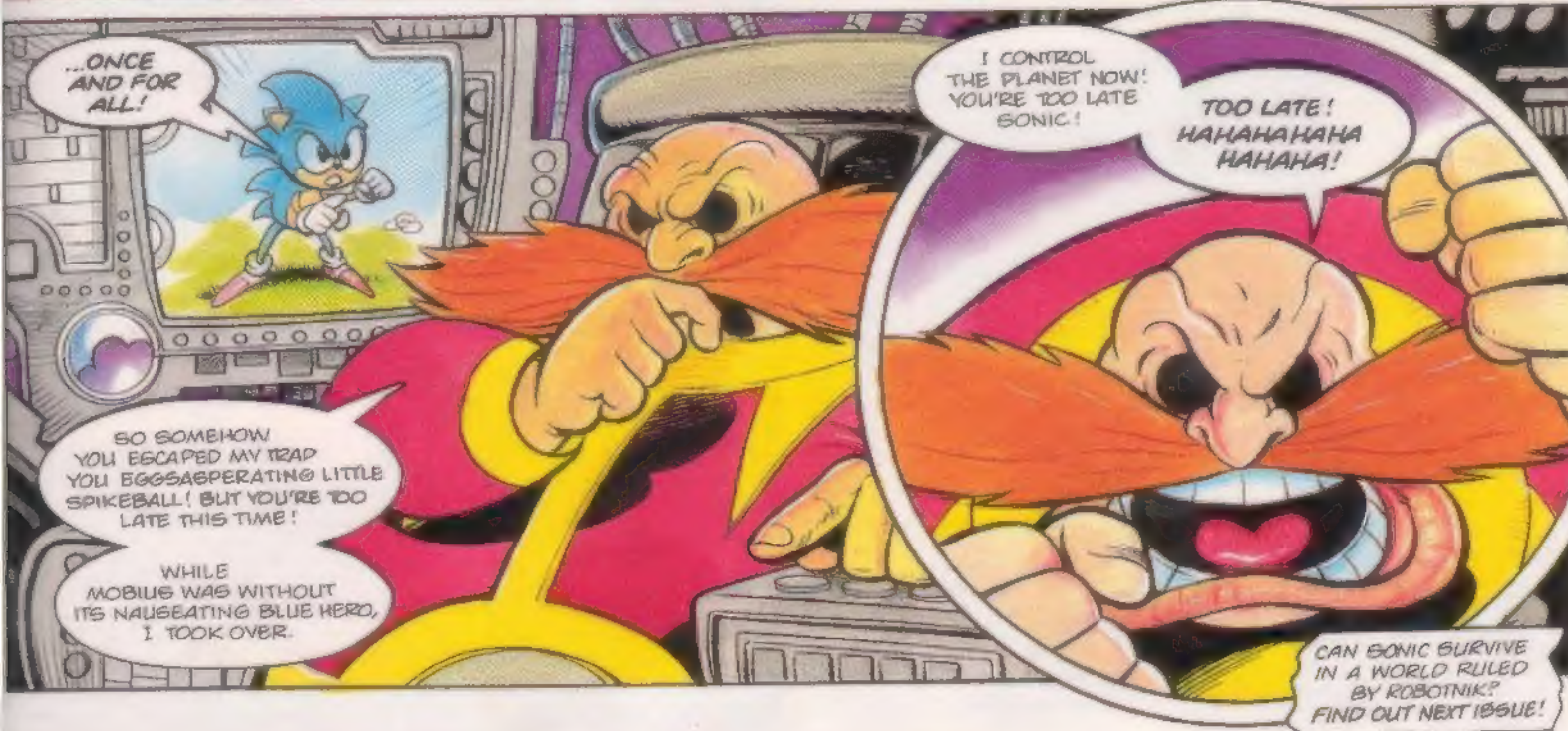
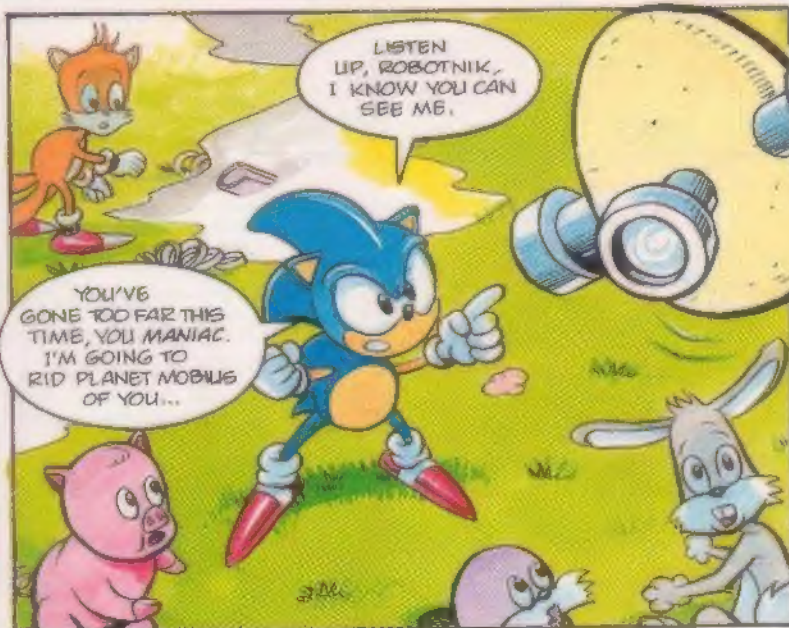
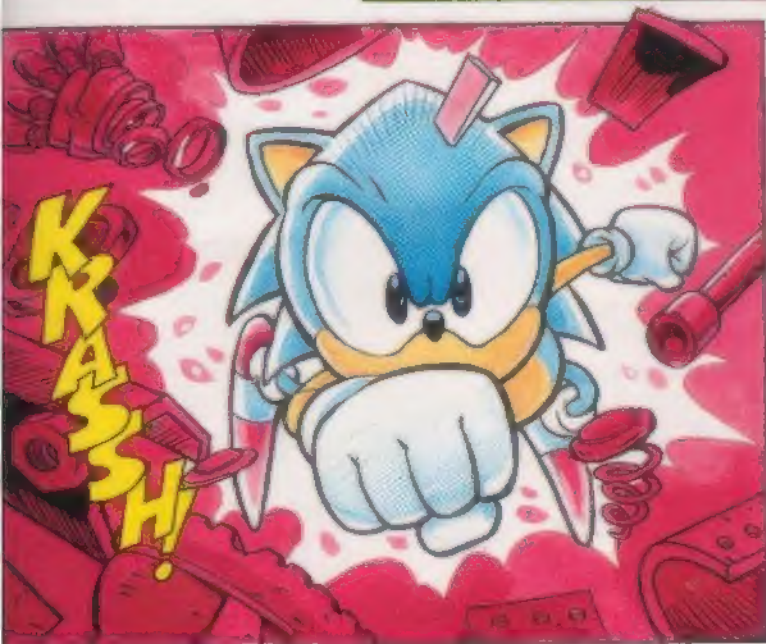
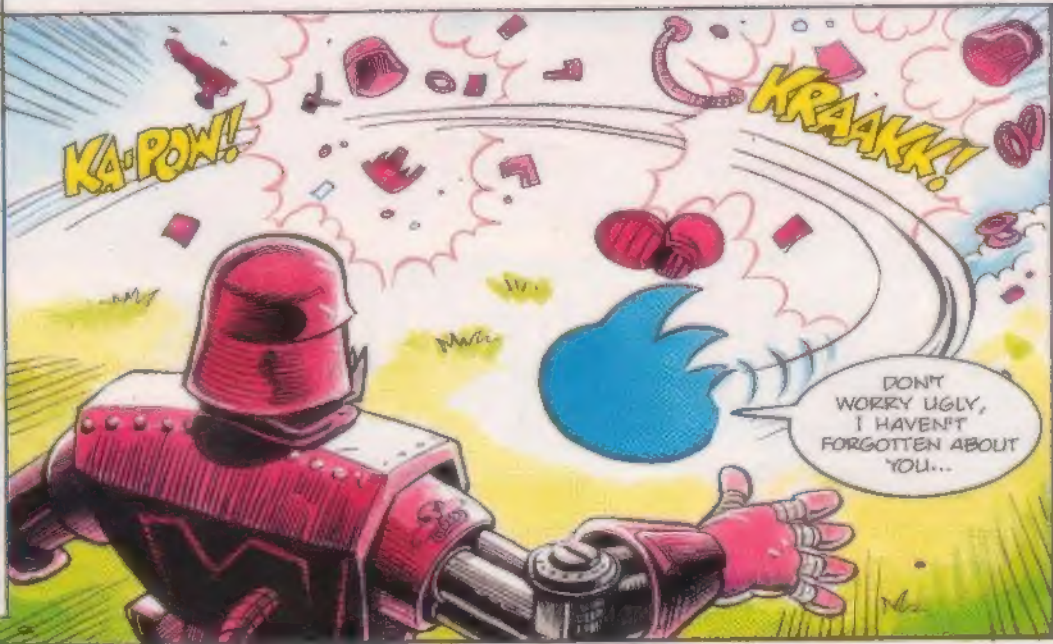
THUNK!

IT'S A PITY I CAN'T REALLY OPEN UP ON THESE BADNIKS. BUT I CAN'T RISK HURTING THE EMERALD HILL FOLK WHO ARE TRAPPED INSIDE.

ZIPP!

VIPP!

SONIC!
IT'S ALL RIGHT!
THESE SOLDIER
BADNIKS ARE JUST
ROBOTS -
THERE'S NOBODY
INSIDE!



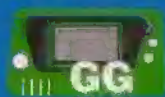
REVIEW Zone

Enter the zone that brings you the up-to-the-nanosecond reviews of all the new releases for the Sega games systems.

STC REVIEWERS THIS ISSUE:
Tony Takoushi & David Gibben.

ECCO THE DOLPHIN

game type: ARCADE
1 PLAYER



Get ready for one of the biggest and best Game Gear conversions ever seen.

Ecco has been faithfully converted from the classic 16-bit Mega Drive original to the 8-bit Game Gear. From the moment you switch on and see the title screen you will realise just how good this game is!

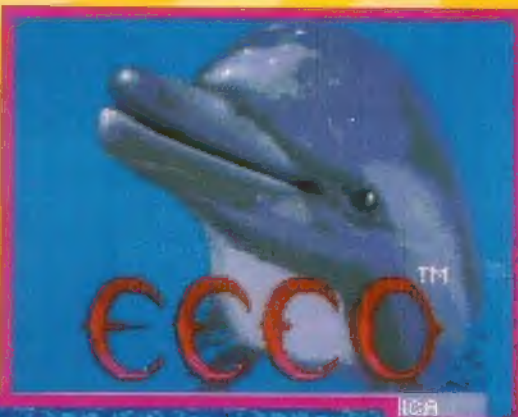
The game has you controlling a dolphin called Ecco who is searching for his family and friends who have mysteriously disappeared.

You have close control of Ecco. You can make him swim, leap and turn, all in beautifully smooth animation. Leaps can vary in height depending on your speed. You can find out from other sea creatures just what has happened and they also give clues as to where Ecco should go and who he should seek out.

The lands (and seas!) you visit are all different and there is plenty of arcade action as well as puzzles to solve. It is all done in a non-threatening way and you soon find yourself being drawn into the plot and wanting to find out what happens next!

Because of the sheer size of the game there is a password option so you can stop the game and pick up from where you left off later.

Ecco caused quite a stir when it was originally released on the Mega Drive. The Game Gear and Master System versions will, undoubtedly, cause huge waves in the 8-bit world. - TT.



FAST FAX

PUBLISHER PRICE
SEGA £29.99

GRAPHICS

..... 80

SOUND

..... 80

PLAYABILITY

..... 80

RAVES

Great conversion from the Mega Drive original

GRAVES

Controls can be tricky to pick up quickly

OVERALL

85%



Mega Drive



Mega CD



Master System



Game Gear

STC Rating System

under 40% - Yawnsville
40 - 70% - Normalville
70 - 80% - Fun City
80 - 90% - Big Time City
over 90% - Mega City!

JURASSIC PARK

game type: PLATFORM
1 PLAYER



It's a monster of a movie - and an even more monstrous game! Sega has really gone to town with Jurassic Park and produced three different games for its consoles and handheld portable!

The Game Gear version of JP is uniquely different from the Mega Drive and Master System versions. In it you take the role of Grant and have to visit parts of the island. You also have to fight your way through dozens of beastly beasts and take out the 'dinobossaurus' at the end of each stage.

The graphics are pretty mixed. Some are average, others are quite exceptional and the gameplay is quite deep. You can choose from three different weapons; gun, missiles and dynamite. There are other goodies to collect along the way with a medical box top up for energy and coins.

You can never kill the dinosaurs, you just get to stun them for a short time. The gameplay is varied with winged pterodactyls swooping in and other fast attacks from all around you. You can leap and fire your weapon but the layout of the five stages means you have to go slowly and really think about your moves.

Overall, Jurassic Park on the GG is a solid game with some great bosses to take out. - TT.



FAST FAX

PUBLISHER PRICE
SEGA £29.99

GRAPHICS

..... 65

SOUND

..... 60

PLAYABILITY

..... 70

RAVES

Some great graphical touches

GRAVES

Action can get repetitive with our chase intro lacking impact

OVERALL

70%

HOME ALONE

Game Type: PLATFORM
1 PLAYER



Home Alone on the Master
...different game from the
Loga Drive original.
...this version was you tearing
...down the house trying to collect
...the valuables before the crim
...get to them. When you find them all
...you have to head back to a safe and
...deposit them there
...Life is never that easy, though
...as you also have to avoid the
...criminals and try to deter them from
...getting the goodies in the first
...at them, which
...stuns them for a while, leap over
...them and drop down between in
...to help you get around the hou
...the chute that takes you from
...the upper levels to the lower, and
...there are doors you can nip into
...There are plenty of options. You
...can check out the sound effects,
...game and difficulty levels at game
...The graphics are sharp, the
...gameplay is fast and very addictive.

FAST FAX

MULTIMEDIA: PRICE

GRAPHICS



SOUND

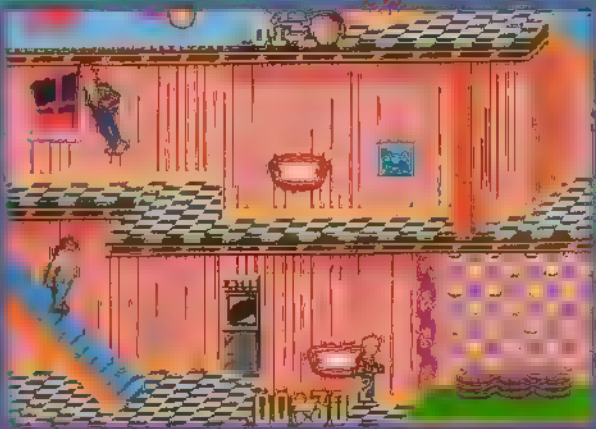


PLAYABILITY



75%

...bouncing
...along nicely.
...At in all
...HOME ALONE
...is a good
...platform game
...that will keep
...you coming
...back for just
...one more try
...against those
...sneaky perpe
...TT.



FANTASTIC DIZZY

Game Type: PLATFORM
1 PLAYER



With over three million copies sold
on other formats, Dizzy is a very
well-known egg. He has previously
appeared on nearly every computer
and console imaginable - except for
Sega machines. However, all that's
set to change with Fantastic Dizzy,
the new adventure for our 'eggciting'
hero!

The evil wizard Zeks has cast a
spell over Dizzy's homeland turning
all the creatures into fiends. To cap
it all he has also captured Dizzy's
girlfriend, Daisy. Dizzy must set out
to rescue Daisy, defeat the wizard
and restore peace and harmony to
the egg world.

The game is played by finding
objects and using them to solve
puzzles which allow you to
progress further. Bonus games are
also included which involves a
sliding puzzle featuring a picture of
Dizzy and Zeks. Completing this will
earn you an extra life.

Other characters are featured
throughout the game which Dizzy can
interact with to gain vital clues.

The game is quite large with such
locations as the diamond mines,
dragon's lair, a tree-house and going
underwater.

FAST FAX

MULTIMEDIA: PRICE

GRAPHICS



SOUND



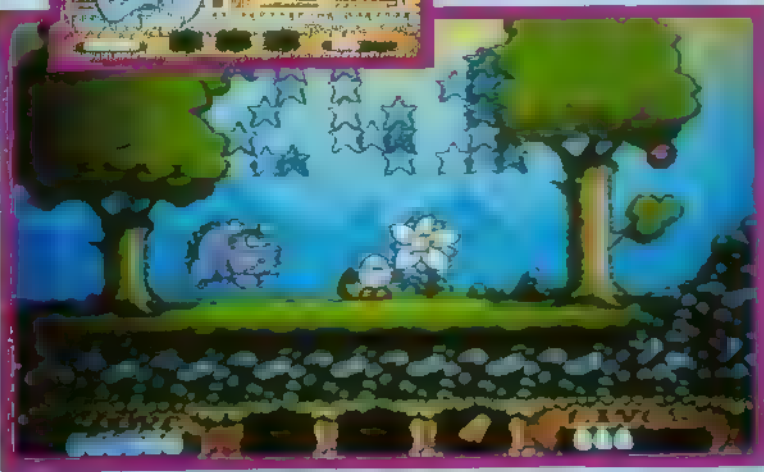
PLAYABILITY



90%

Dizzy makes a welcome change
from the usual left-to-right
platformers which are normally too
easy. In this, an item called the brain
must be used.

Fantastic Dizzy was a
number one hit on Nintendo
systems and it deserves to do
equally as well on the Mega
Drive CDG.



HI CASEY HERE AGAIN WEEKDAYS
I'M A REGULAR SCHOOLKID WEEK
ENDS I PLAY SEGA GAMES BETTER
THAN MOST RIGHT NOW I'M
TRAPPED IN THE WILD SIDE ARCADE
GAME I'VE BECOME RED
STEALTH SAMURAI WARRIOR

PLEASE
YOU'VE GOT
TO HELP
ME!

OH YEAH THAT'S SHIZ!
USUALLY SHE'S THE GIRL
OF MY DREAMS BUT JUST
NOW SHE'S STARRING IN
MY NIGHTMARE

LAST TIME I SAW HER,
SHE WAS BEING LED
INTO THE WILD SIDE
GAME UNIT BY A BIG
BULLY FROM SCHOOL

LEAVE GIRL
ALONE, FIRE
BREATH!

RAAARGH!

I WONDER WHAT
HAPPENED TO HIM?

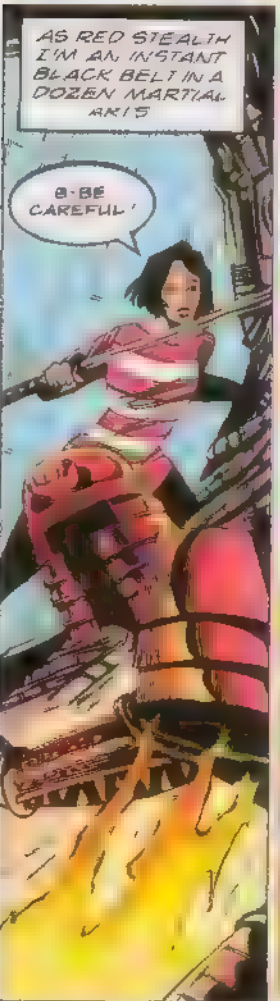
QUICK
GIRL / JUMP
WHILE FIRE
BREATH IS
HURT!

KID CHAMELEON

PART 3



MEANWHILE, MY I MEAN, RED STEALTH'S - BLOWS AGAINST THE CREATURE SEEMED TO HAVE AN UNEXPECTED EFFECT ..



AS RED STEALTH I'M AN INSTANT BLACK BELT IN A DOZEN MARTIAL ARTS

PITY THAT THE CREATURE LOOKS LIKE IT KNOWS MOST OF THEM!

'STUPID' STUPID.. TRAPPED BY A CREATURE WITH A BRAIN THE SIZE OF A WALNUT! HOPE SUZI, HAD THE SENSE TO GET THE HECK OUT OF HERE

COME,
FIRE-BREATH.
IT IS TIME TO
DIE!

WHIPP!

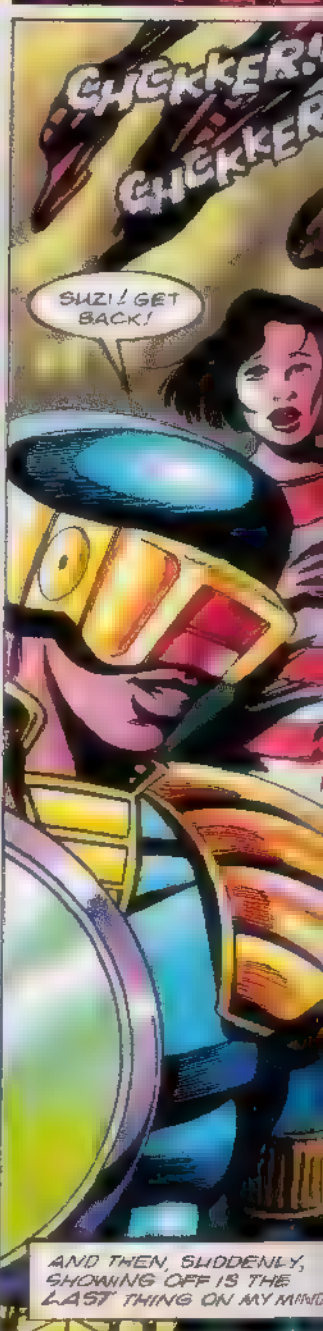
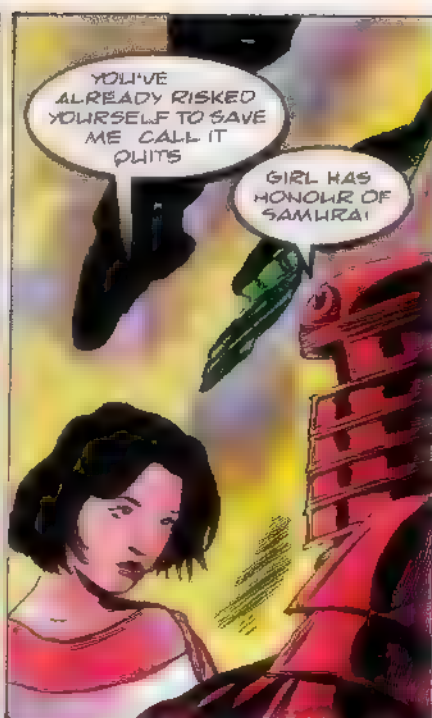
CHOKKK!

ARRGH!

GOODBYE, SUZI. I HOPE
YOU FIND A WAY OUT OF
WILD SIDE. LOOKS LIKE
IT'S TOO LATE FOR ME..

RRR
RRR
GRR
HHH

HHH?
FIRE-BREATH
IS DEAD BY MY
SWORD!





WE'VE GOT AN ARM IN FROM NO WHERE - STRAIGHT FOR US!

WHAT'S GOING ON? WHERE ARE THOSE SOUNDS COMING FROM?

CHICKER!
CHICKER!

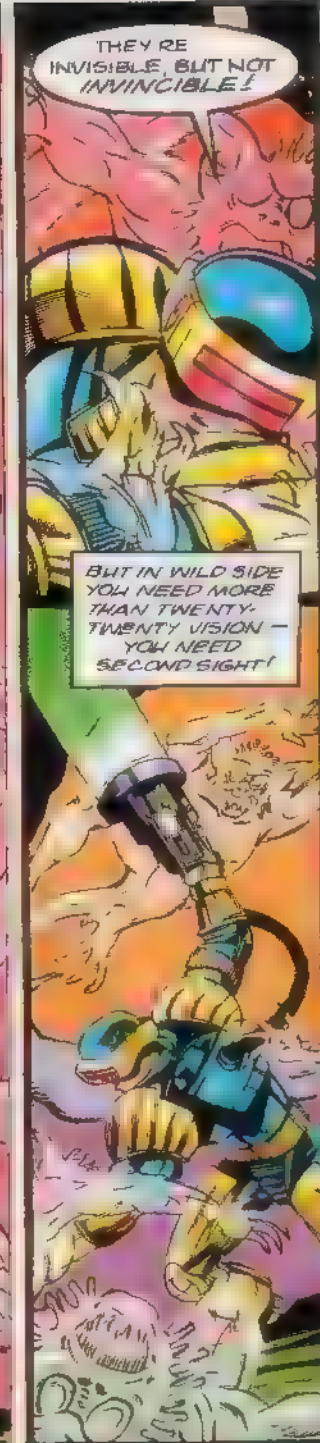


CREATURES WITH BODIES THAT REFLECT LIGHT AT A WAVELENGTH THE HUMAN EYE CANNOT SEE

INVISIBLE?

NOT TO ME STAY CLOSE

EYECLOPS VISION GIVES ME NIGHT SIGHT AND SLOW-MO - INFRA-RED AND ULTRA-VIOLET

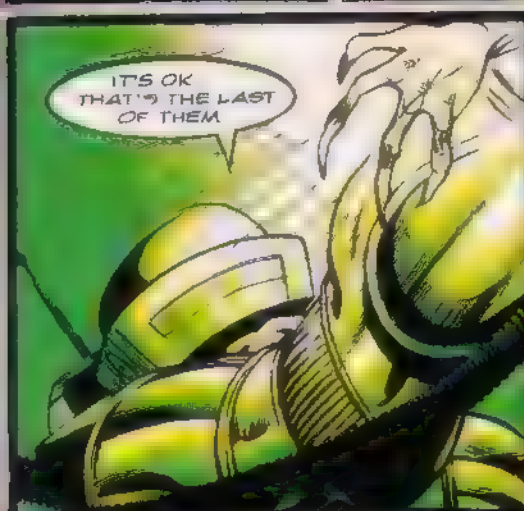


THEY'RE INVISIBLE, BUT NOT INVINCIBLE!

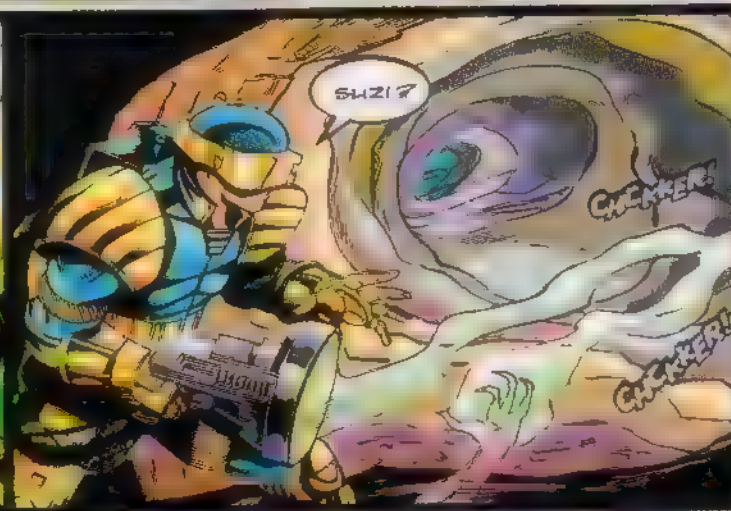
BUT IN WILD SIDE YOU NEED MORE THAN TWENTY TWENTY VISION - YOU NEED SECOND SIGHT!



SHE'S GONE!



IT'S OK THAT'S THE LAST OF THEM



SUZIE?

CHICKER!

CHICKER!

NEXT ISSUE STOLEN BY THE SEWER MEN!

NEWS Zone

OPENING MOVIES

Sonic CD has a special animated sequence at the start of the game that lasts for around two minutes and it sets the scene for the game.

You get to see Sonic at play, running at blinding speeds and doing all sorts of acrobatic jumps and manoeuvres.

Linked to Sonic's planet by an enormous chain is another world. Sonic soon realises that something's wrong as his planet starts to break-up and he heads out to the chain and speeds along it to the planet that's breaking away. Boomerangs come at him but nothing stops Sonic! He leaps, he rams, he rolls on through anything in his way to reach the planet breaking away.

The whole sequence is breathtaking, with Sonic sizzling away across the planet and some way heavy funky rap music in the background.

This sequence has some of the most incredible Sonic action you will ever see and really gets you in the mood for the battle ahead!

THE STORY

Sonic CD has an amazing storyline. Rather than spoil all the surprises for you I'll just give you just a taste of what to expect:

Robotnik has been busy again and has discovered a way to travel through time. He has set traps for Sonic, who, he's determined, will never have a future to see.

You have to help Sonic complete each zone in 10 minutes or less, or you lose a life.

The overall aim is to beat that rotten egg, Robotnik. You have to travel through zones taking out the baddies and collecting rings and other power-ups hidden away in TV's.

You have the same styles of attack with Dash Attack, and leaps. There are position markers around the courses to help you restart if you lose a life.

As you work your way through each course you will see signposts with Past or Future on them. Touching them sets up a warp scene that sends you to the relevant time era - but only if you can build up to the right speed.

In each zone you have to battle past the nasties around the tricky courses and try to reach the end of the stage marker.

This may sound very familiar, but the sheer size, variety of nasties and masses of new touches and moves to learn, mean you will be looking in every nook and cranny to see what new twists the Sonic CD team have packed in.

NEW FACES

There are plenty of new characters to contend with. Amy is a cute pink female hedgehog (see News Zone STC 6) who makes her feelings for Sonic very obvious. However Sonic is one cool dude and is not impressed with such displays!

Robotnik has also created an evil version of Sonic, called Metal Sonic (see News Zone, STC 8). Robotnik uses him to do his dirty work and kidnap Amy. Sonic does not take at all kindly to this type of behaviour!



SONIC CD: THE PREVIEW


CD Sonic sizzles with new zones, new features, new action

With the imminent arrival of Sonic CD, Sonic's first Mega CD outing, STC asked Mega-Sonic buff Tony Takoushi (author of the Complete Guide to Sonic 2, but we've mentioned that before!) to give you an exclusive first glimpse of the game. Check this one out. Boomers - it's going to be hot.





News Extra
Belmont
Searches for Boys



TWO GOOD COPS QUIT A
CORRUPT POLICE FORCE
TO BRING JUSTICE TO
THE CITY --


BUT DECENT MEN AND
WOMEN DON'T LIVE LONG
IN THE FACE OF
ORGANISED CRIME

STREETS OF RAGE

Part 3

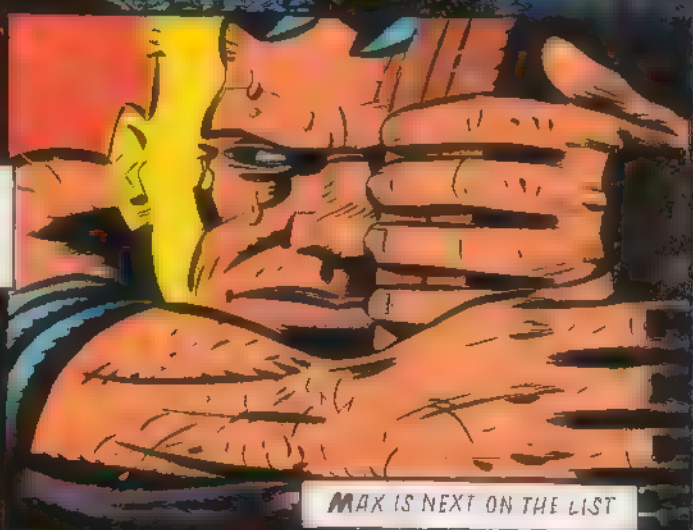


MEET MAX HATCHET, AN EX-COP
WITH A PRICE ON HIS HEAD.



HIS BEST FRIEND, AXEL, WAS
ALMOST KILLED TWO WEEKS AGO.

BEATEN TO A PULP
BY SOME CORRUPT
COPS IN HIS OWN
PRECINCT.



MAX IS NEXT ON THE LIST



EVERY SENSE IS SHARPENED
TO PERFECTION --

EVERY MUSCLE A COILED SPRING --
HIS SKIN TAUT LIKE LEATHER --

CHKK!

CHKK!

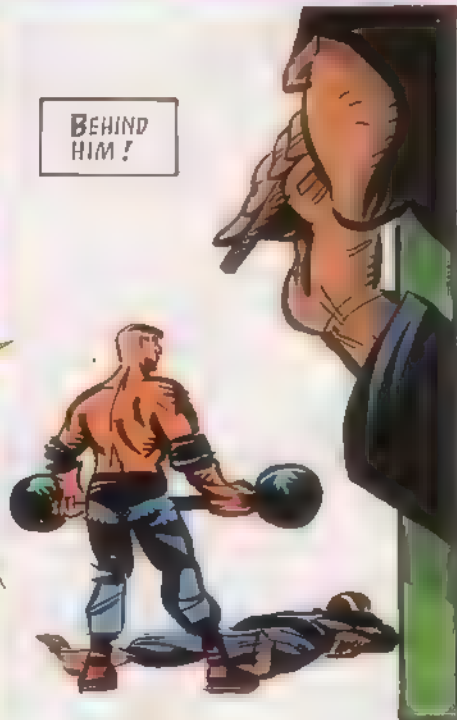
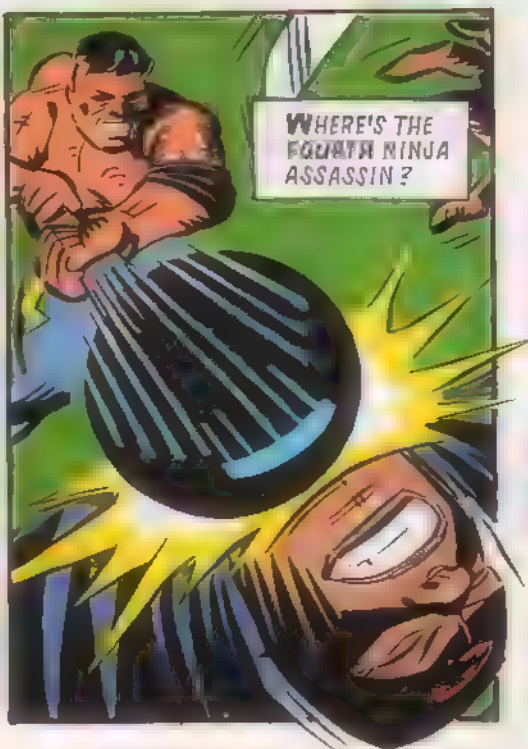
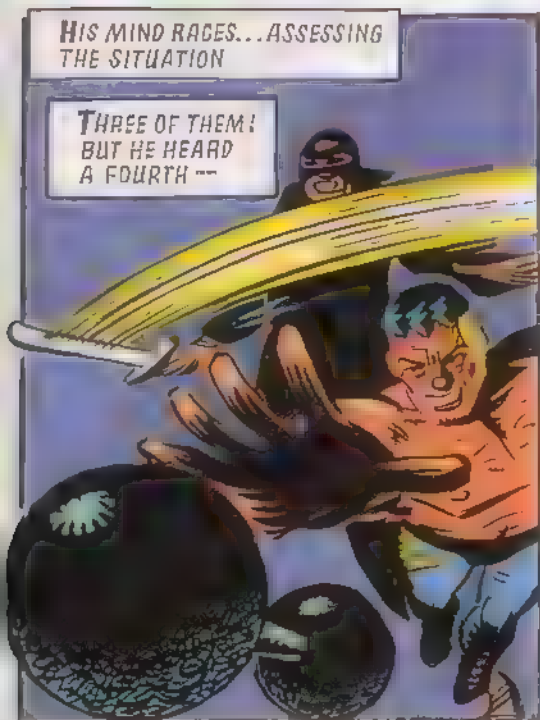
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TO ATTENTION.

HIS MIND RACES...ASSESSING
THE SITUATION

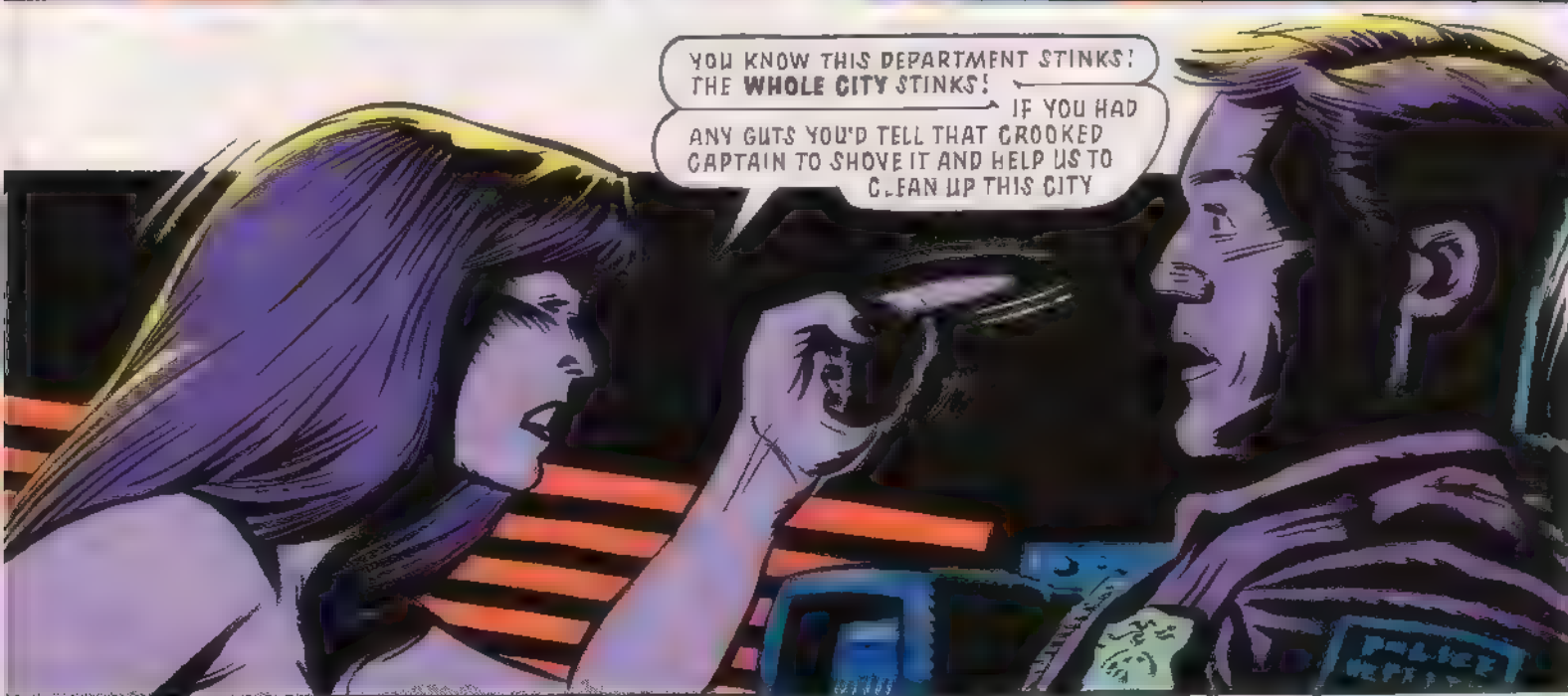
THREE OF THEM!
BUT HE HEARD
A FOURTH --

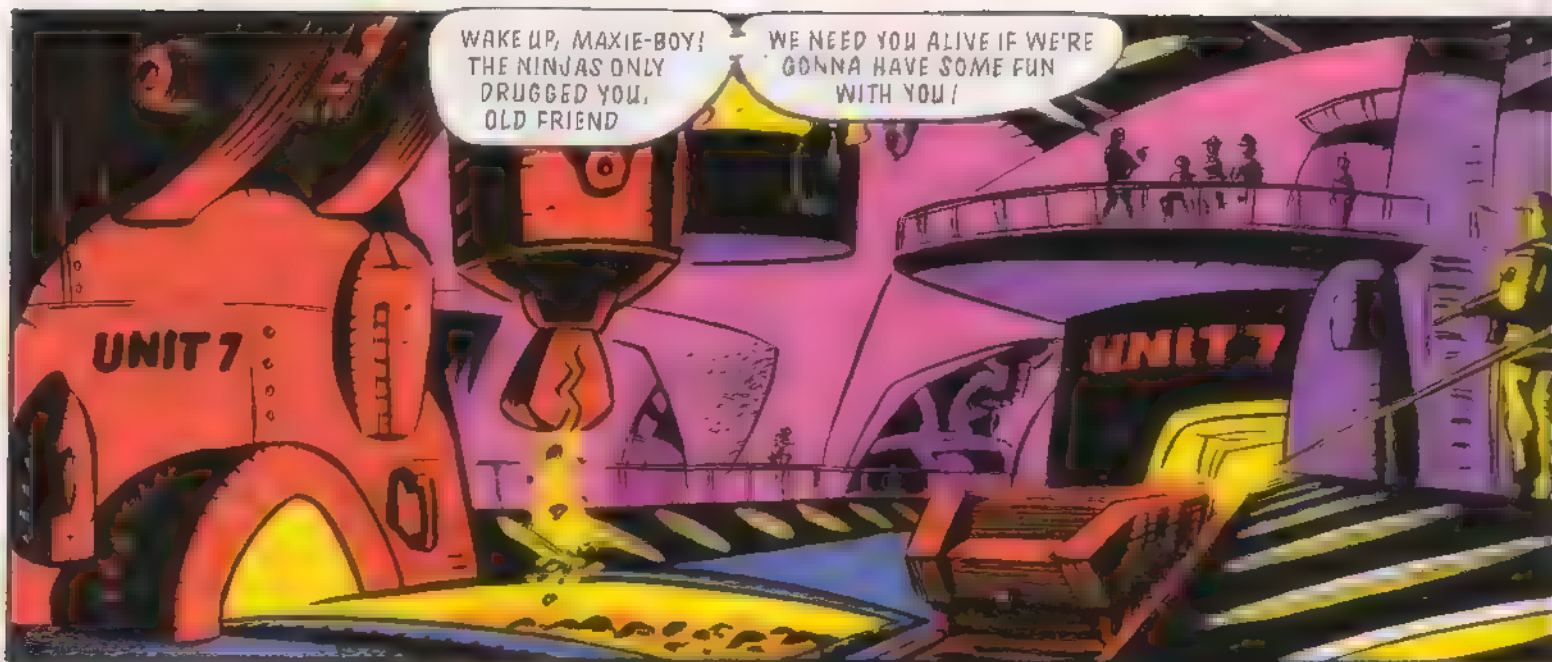
WHERE'S THE
FOURTH NINJA
ASSASSIN?

BEHIND
HIM!









WAKE UP, MAXIE-BOY!
THE NINJAS ONLY
DRUGGED YOU,
OLD FRIEND

WE NEED YOU ALIVE IF WE'RE
GONNA HAVE SOME FUN
WITH YOU!



HAWK!

PLEASD TO SEE ME,
HUH? WELL, IT'S
BEEN A LONG TIME,
MAXIE-BOY!

IT'S BEEN ALMOST FIVE YEARS
SINCE YOU BUSTED ME FOR
POLICE CORRUPTION

ALMOST FIVE YEARS SINCE YOU
HAD YOUR OLD PARTNER
KICKED OFF THE FORCE.



I HEARD YOU RAN OFF TO SOUTH
AMERICA, HAWK! SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN YOUR CROOKED BUDDIES
WOULD SET YOU UP IN THE DRUGS
TRADE

BRAVE WORDS FOR A MAN WITH
A GUN POINTED AT HIS HEAD, MAX.
I'D BE CAREFUL IF I WERE YOU.

YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO END UP
DEAD LIKE YOUR FRIENDS!

NEXT ISSUE
R.I.P. AXEL

NEWS

EXTRA!

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD!

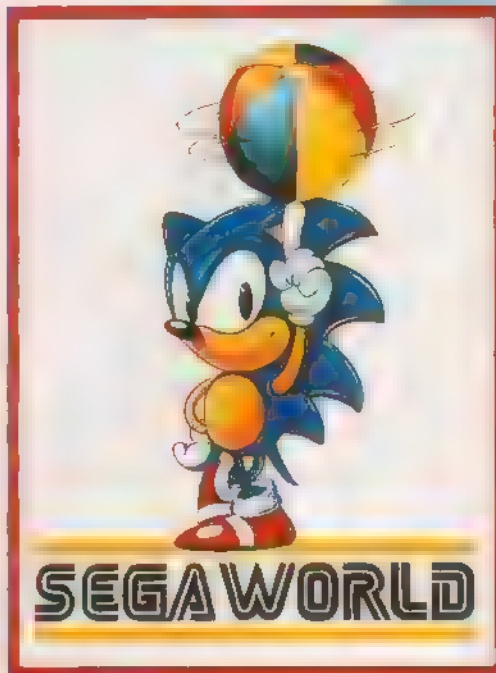
GOLDEN AXE III GONE?

New characters put on ice

Following our preview of the new characters appearing in the upcoming **Golden Axe III** (News Zone, STC 6), it now seems that UK gamers may not get to see them after all.

Sega Europe have put 'on ice' plans to release **Golden Axe III** to the UK market. No indication has been made as to when - or if - this game will appear. It is likely, however, that GA3 will be released in the US and Japanese markets and so be available as an import game, but nothing is certain as we go to press.

What, then, is the fate of Faloan Man, Cragger, Burn, Glinder and Cronus? Your guess is as good as ours. One thing is for sure: Ax-Battler, Gilius and Tyrus will be back in a new series of **The Legend of The Golden Axe** in STC very soon.



Bournemouth hosts new Sega gaming experience

The traditional image of games centres as dark sinister places was blown away last month with the opening of the first **Sega World** games centre in Bournemouth.

Designed to be bright, colourful and accessible to the whole family, **Sega World** is also packed with the state-of-the-art in arcade video gaming. Visitors can experience a multitude of gaming thrills from the AS-1 flight simulator (see News Zone STC 4) to the more manual skills of ten-pin bowling!

Sega World is organised around a number of special zones:

THE DRIVING EDGE: Featuring the R-360 flight simulator that spins

its 'prop' through 360 degrees. **Virtua Racing**, the ground-breaking motor racing game coming soon to the Mega Drive and **Outrunners** a racing game for up to eight people.



'The Driving Edge', Sega World Bournemouth

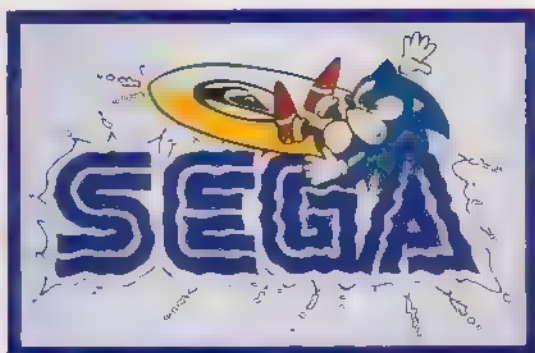
SURFIN' SONIC

Sega sponsors major surfing championship

Seems you can't watch a major sporting event these days without Sonic or the Sega logo popping up. First there was the 1992 European Football Championship this year Sega are sponsoring the Williams Formula One Grand Prix team, and now - surfing!

Earlier this month the **Sega Quiksilver Surfmaster Championship** was held in Biarritz, France and both Sonic and Sega were there to hang five with 44 of the world's top surfers. People like two-time world champion and surfing legend Tom Carroll who will be competing for the \$100,000 prize money and world championship tour points.

The expected crowds of up to 80,000 people were able to watch the surfing action on a giant beach-side TV screen, provided by Sega. Not unexpectedly, more than a few Mega Drives were on hand so that the crowds could play such cool surfing games as **Greendog**, **California Games** and the mega-hot **Cool Spot**. Guess you could say a tubular time was had by all!



Surfing champ Tom Carroll - cool customer in a hot contest



THE AS-1: Sega's amazing new eight-person flight simulator. Due to arrive in Bournemouth this Autumn.

ZAP ATTACK: Featuring **Title Fight**, the latest in arcade boxing games, and **Mad Dog McCree**, the brilliant Wild West game with live-action video sequences.

SONIC STRIKE: Eight fully-automated bowling lanes, utilising the latest in bowling technology.

THE LOWDOWN: A unique insight into the future of electronic games, including arcade games with 'see-through' cabinets so you can see how a video game actually works!

Other zones include **The Old Brn** for karaoke fans, **Toe Jam's Gang**: amusements for the under-5's, **Amazona**, a play area for kids and the **Mega Byte**; refreshments for hard-playing gamers, provided by **Burger King**.

Sega World Bournemouth is the flagship for a whole line of Sega game centres opening around the UK in the coming months. The next one is scheduled to open in Colindale, North London later this year.

Keep an eye out for news of one opening in your area, Boomers!

Q

Zone

Q&A special

Welcome to Q Zone's second Q&A Special! Once again, STC's Games Guru David Gibbon, has been dusted off and wheeled out to deal with the deluge of questions

you've been sending to the Q Zone. Keep them coming - he needs the exorcism!

Mega Drive



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2

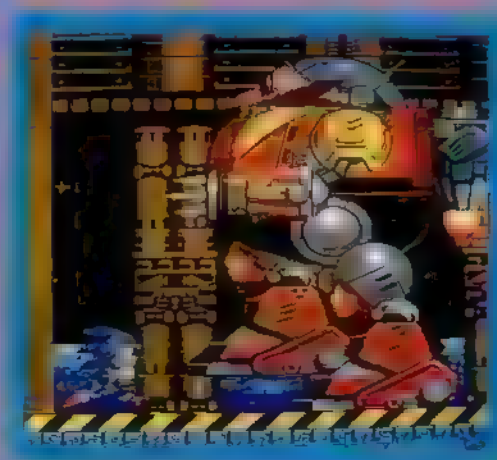
Q I am a great fan of Sonic, but just can't defeat Dr Robotnik in the Final Zone in Sonic 1 on the Mega Drive. Please try and give me some advice?
DANIEL, (NO ADDRESS SUPPLIED).

Q I am stuck on the Death Egg Zone on the Mega Drive version of Sonic 2. When Dr Robotnik gets into the large Robot and fires his arms, I can jump over them but they get me on the way back. Please help
BEN BICKFORD, ST LEONARDS-ON-SEA, EAST SUSSEX.

A Still trying to defeat Robotnik in Sonic's first adventure? Well Daniel, this means blowing the cobwebs off my dusty old cartridge for you. Luckily I have found the answer, so here goes:
Start by running to the right-hand side of the screen, and wait. As soon as the electric pulses fall to the ground, Robotnik will come up in his machine. Jump onto him and, and, again, to your far right. Then run to your left and anticipate where the electric pulses will fall.

Run when you see a gap and stay there until they have gone, then immediately jump right. Again, jump onto Robotnik and keep repeating this procedure to defeat him.

jump out of the way to the extreme left or right. When Robotnik lands, he will bend his knees - immediately, jump up and hit his nose. Then run quickly to the far right and keep crouched down until after he fires his arms (don't jump over his arms!). Repeat this process and you will complete the game.



A Congratulations Ben. Not many people can get as far as you have done on Sonic 2. You are obviously a master of the game. The last screen is the one I had most bother with when completing the game, but I did manage to do it - and here's how

When Dr Robotnik fires into the air, run to the extreme left. Wait until the target locks onto you and is flashing very fast, then

TOE JAM & EARL

Q I am having great problems with Toe Jam & Earl on the Mega Drive. Do you have any help or cheats?
CATHY LINDUP, GOBOWEN, SHROPSHIRE

A I cannot find any keypress cheats, Cathy, but I can give you some Game Genie codes and general tips:-

If you have a Game Genie, type in ZZ8ADT2Y to get rid of all the enemies; GC8AAYZT gives infinite lives, and TD2AEAJ+6D2AACAN makes Toe Jam and Earl move twice as fast.

Finding the ship pieces can prove difficult. Here is the levels they can be found on - 2, 6, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 21, 23 and 25.

To get onto a secret level: On level 3, grab some wings, fall to level one, fly to the bottom left-hand corner, and then fall through the island to reach this extra level.

At the end of the game you will be told to follow the Yellow Brick Road - instead, explore the bottom-right corner and top of the level.



MOONWALKER

Q I have just borrowed Moonwalker on the Mega Drive and I would like to know if a level select cheat exists for it?
JONATHAN GOWLAND, FRAMWELLGATE MOOR, DURHAM

A After a long search for you, Jonathan, I have found a level select and shooting stars cheat:

Level Select: Plug the joystick into port 2. Press Up Left and A. Put the joystick back into port 1 and press Start. Select a one player game. Now use left and right to skip through the levels.

Shooting Stars: A certain child on each of the levels will cause a star to fly across the screen if rescued first. This will cause Michael Jackson to turn into a Robot for a few seconds. Watch the demo at the start for clues to which child holds the star.



CHUCK ROCK

Q I have tried the level select cheat for Chuck Rock on the Mega Drive but I can't make it work. What am I doing wrong?
JONATHAN LOWES, EYESHAM, WORCESTER

A I can't really say what you are doing wrong, Jonathan. However, do know the cheat is quite difficult to act upon. I have found another way of getting the cheat:

Type in the word ABRACADABRA (using the A, B and C buttons, and Right and Down to get the R and D) on the title screen while the band is playing. The guitarist will stop playing and smile at you. If you now press Buttons A, B and C together, he'll smile again, and this means the cheat is working. Start playing the game. Pressing the following combinations will skip you around the levels:

A and JP : Move forward one complete level
A and Right : Move forward one stage
A and Down : Go back one complete level
A and Left : Go back one stage

LOTUS TURBO CHALLENGE

Q Do you have any passwords for Lotus Turbo Challenge on the Mega Drive? I have been having great difficulty getting further into the game, so any help would be appreciated.
ALEX BUTLER, LAUNCESTON, CORNWALL

A So you like driving games, Alex? Luckily, I can give you a complete list of all the passwords - and two cheats as well -

Level Two : SLEEPERS
Level Three : HERBERT
Level Four : BUSINESS
Level Five : APPLE PIE
Level Six : STANDISH
Level Seven : MALLOW
Level Eight : TEACUP

If you type in MANSELL you will qualify every time, and if you type in SLUGPACE you will gain infinite turbos.

Master System



THE NINJA

Q Please could you tell me where the green scroll is in level 9 of The Ninja on the Master System? I read about the scroll in level 4 in the 8th issue of STC but the scroll in level 9 is driving me mad!
RICHARD O'NEIL, HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

A Dear Sir, This game seems to be causing a lot of problems for a number of STC readers. So to end global misery once and for all, here is the complete list of scrolls and where to find them:

SCROLL 1: Kill the transforming Ninja in the 1st level to find the scroll.
SCROLL 2: Walk to the bottom of the statue in the 4th level and shoot five times, then collect the scroll.
SCROLL 3: Go across the last bridge on the left, and walk straight to the tree above the first samurai house next to the wall in the 6th level.
SCROLL 4: In level 8, get to the top of the last garden on the right, and repeat the procedure used to find the third scroll.
SCROLL 5: Go to the Ninja on top of the wall, but don't kill him immediately. Instead, wait a while, and the green scroll should appear in level 9. Instructions should now appear showing you how to reach the temple.



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 (AND GAME GEAR)

Q I am having a problem with the Game Gear Mountain Zone on the Sega Master System. I have looked everywhere, but I can't find the Chaos Emerald. Please help.
GARY MCLELLAN, 39 EAST NORTHERN, DUBLIN, IRELAND AND 100 RIVERDALE, NOTTINGHAM

A Gemmick Mountain Zone, eh? Well, I can just be able to help there. Try this:

First, get into Act 2 and go across the conveyor belt and up the ramp. When you reach the top, jump to the left, and you should find yourself in a secret room. Go left and up the GO's, and then pick up the hidden Emerald. Go back the same way you came to get back into Act 2.

ALEX KIDD IN MIRACLE WORLD

Q I own a Sega Master System and I would like to know any cheats for Alex Kidd in Miracle World.
DANIEL AYLETT, WENTWORTH, WALES

A Well, Daniel, after searching for a while, I have found a few extra continues:

Make sure you have at least 1000 Gold pieces when you die. Then when you reach the Game Over screen, press Jp and then Button 2 1000 times.

After around 8 presses you will activate the extra continue mode.

Keep those questions and queries coming in to the Q Zone, Boomers. Help is always at hand.

OOPS!!!!

SHION THE WONDERBOY HAS TRAVELLED TO DEMON
WORLD TO RESCUE SOME MONSTER WORLD FRIENDS

AT THE BOTTOM OF GRIMOMEN'S PITCASTLE

YOU KILLED GRIMOMEN
THE DEMON LORD!

BURN 'IM!

GRRR!

FEED 'IM TO
THE DEMON
HAMSTERS!

WONDER BOY

in
THE MONSTER WORLD
part 8

SNARLL!

GRAAAR!

GRIMOMEN
WAS TURNING
US INTO
DEMONS

SHION'S
BROKEN THE
SPELL

YOU'LL HAVE
TO FACE US,
DEMONS





FREE THE
VILLAGERS
AND TAKE THEM
TO THE
DIMENSIONAL
PORTAL.

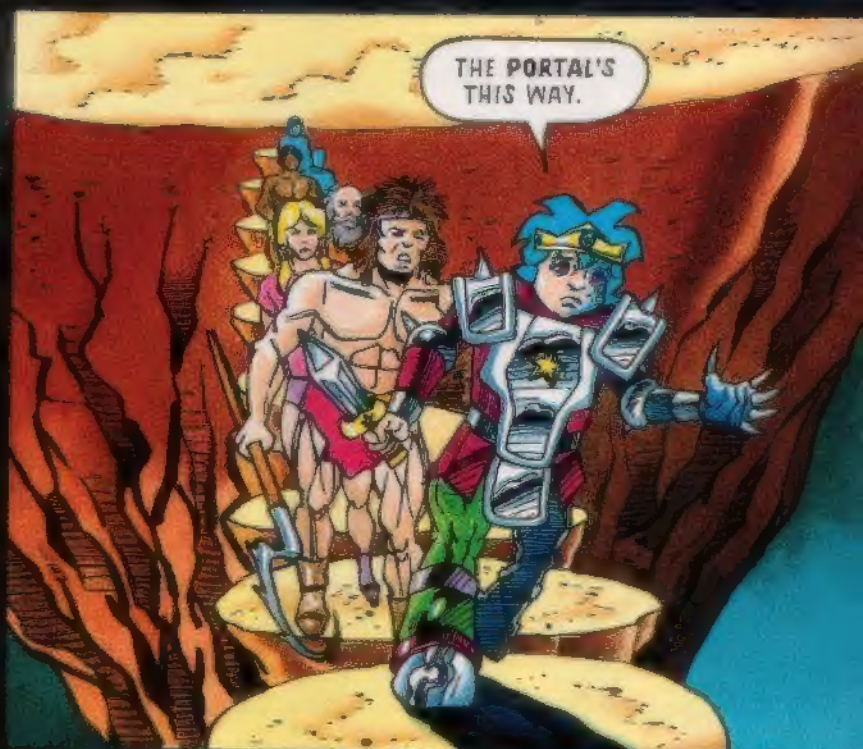


SHION! THANK
THE GODS!

THEM DEMONS.
THEY WUZ 'ORRIBLE'
WORSE 'N 'ORRIBLE!



WE GOTTA MOVE QUICKLY,
BEFORE THE DEMONS
REALISE WHAT'S
HAPPENING.

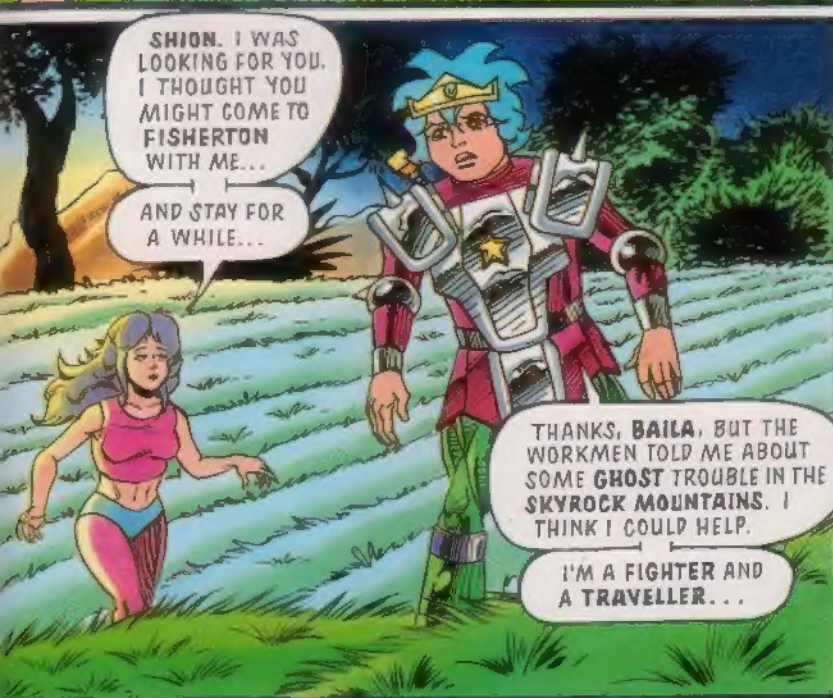


THE PORTAL'S
THIS WAY.



EVERYTHIN'
ALL RIGHT OUT
THERE,
DRUM?

IN GRIMOMEN
WE TRUST...



SPEEDLINES



Dash off a letter, draw a quick sketch. In short, sound off to Megadroid about anything you want to do with STC, Sega or the meaning of life as we know it!

Send your letters and drawings to: Speedlines, Sonic The Comic, 25/31 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9DU.

Write your name, address and Sega system you use (MD, MCD, MS or GG) clearly on your letter or drawing. Every one printed on this page wins a Segesational prize!

Megadroid regrets that drawings cannot be returned or correspondence entered into.



Growing Pains

Dear STC,

My Grandpa reads each copy of STC to me and wants you to know that he likes Tyris-Flare of Golden Axe very much.

Yours supersegasonically,
Bobby Irving, Darvel, Ayrshire. MS owner, Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



Don't worry, Bobby. I'm sure your Grandpa will grow out of it (the Tyris Flare 'crush,' that is.)



LEO MILES, OXFORD, MIDDX. MD owner, Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.

Telling Tails

Dear Miles 'Tails' Prower,

Why do you let Sonic boss you around? Why don't you stand up to him and say, 'I'm not a little kid, and I don't want to be bossed around anymore'.

Stephen Harper, Luton, Beds. MD owner, Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



I'm afraid that Tails has declined to reply, Stephen, in case Sonic gets to hear about it.

Prickly-Hearted

Dear STC,

In the picture of Sonic with his girlfriend, Amy Rose, the expression on Sonic's face looked like he didn't want a girlfriend. And another thing - the picture stated that he is not too keen on Amy! Long live STC.

Oliver Cass, Sunbury on Thames, Middx. Soon-to-be MD owner, Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.



What are you trying to say, Oliver?

Could this be a fiendish ploy to upset Amy and have her running into your arms instead? Never mind Sonic's grimace, I think he's just playing it cool!

Costly Problem

Dear STC,

I am writing to your magazine about the way that Sega games are priced nearly £60 for a Mega Drive game. This is very expensive! I am only ten years old and get £1 pocket money a week - how can anyone expect me to be able to save £60? It takes me forever!

Surely if console games are aimed at children my age, they should bring prices down so we could buy them. If they were more affordable, more games could be sold and surely Sega would make a bigger profit.

I think STC is brilliant and the price is just right. I may not be able to buy a game regularly, but at least I can buy your magazine when it comes out. You have the right idea - let's hope Sega catch on! **Alex Fruen, Devizes, Wilts. MD & GG owner, Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.**



What a clear-thinking chap you are, Alex. Ever thought of becoming a droid? How do other Boomers feel about this problem? Let us know.



LEIGH HARRISON, RETFORD, NOTTS. Sonic Water Fun Game Winner.

Get in Print + Win a Prize!

It's true! Every letter and drawing printed on this page wins a Segesational prize! One of these fabulous Tomy Sonic The Hedgehog Water Fun Games can be yours. Fill it with water and pump the button to see if you can help Sonic catch all the power rings. It's challenging, it's portable, it's fun and it's well!

The Sonic Water Fun Game is just part of a range of megatolous Sonic products from Tomy which can be bought at toy shops and department stores. If you have problems finding a stockist in your area phone the Tomy Care Line on 0703 872267.



NEW!

NEXT ISSUE

FREDDY TAKES FRIGHT!
JASON TURNS TO JELLY!
PINHEAD GOES POP!

CHUCK D. HEAD IS COMING!

NEW! DECAP ATTACK!

IT'S ALL A
HORRIBLE
JOKE!

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FACES THE
POWER OF
MEGATOX!

WITH! STREETS OF
RAGE ★
KID CHAMELEON ★
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.....AGE.....

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achievement here!

GAME.....

SCORE/ACHIEVEMENT.....

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SYSTEM:- (please tick)

MD ☐ MS ☐ GG ☐ MCD ☐

GAME INTO STRIP

What SEGA game would you like to
see as a STC strip in the future?

I THINK.....

.....

would make a great comic
strip in STC

MEGA HITS THIS ISSUE!

List your three favourite stories
in this issue in order of
preference

1.....

2.....

3.....

HOW DO YOU RATE ISSUE 9
OF **STC?**

